CHAPTER 92: PARKS AND RECREATION

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GENERAL PROVISIONS

§ 92.01 DEFINITIONS.

For the purpose of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

PARK AREA. Includes any county park, wayside, monument of scenic, historic or recreational area under the jurisdiction of the Board of Commissioners.

PARK MANAGER. An individual in charge of a county park area.

PARK SUPERVISOR. County Public Works

Director in charge of the county parks and recreation branch of the county.

(Ord. 78-4, passed 6-7-78)

§ 92.02 UNLAWFUL TO ENTER PARK WHEN CLOSED.

No person, other than law enforcement officers or authorized county personnel, shall enter or remain in any park area between the daily closing time and the daily opening time as established by the County Park Supervisor and posted at the entrance to each park area.

(Ord. 78-4, passed 6-7-78)

§ 92.03 PUBLIC DISTURBANCES PROHIBITED; USE OF METAL DETECTORS.

The following activities are prohibited in any park area:

- (A) Setting up or using a public address system in a park area or other designated facilities stated in this chapter, without permission of the Park Manager.
- (B) Operating or using any noise-producing machine, vehicle, device or instrument in a manner that is disturbing to other park area visitors.
- (C) Participating in public demonstrations, disturbances, or riotous behavior which interferes with the reasonable use of the park or recreation area by the general public.
- (D) Using a metal detector within a park area without the written permission of the Park Manager. (Ord. 78-4, passed 6-7-78)

§ 92.04 LOST ARTICLES.

All articles found in park areas and other designated facilities stated in this chapter, shall be turned over to a Park Manager. At the end of one year, the article will be returned to the finder if it has not been claimed.

(Ord. 78-4, passed 6-7-78)

§ 92.05 CAMPFIRES.

- (A) Fires in park areas shall be confined to:
- (1) Park camp stoves or fireplaces provided for such purpose;
- (2) Portable stoves in established park picnic areas.
- (B) No fire shall be left unattended and every fire shall be extinguished before its user leaves the park area.

(Ord. 78-4, passed 6-7-78)

§ 92.06 HUNTING AND FIREARMS.

No person shall:

- (A) Hunt, pursue, trap, kill, injure or molest any wildlife or disturb their habitats.
- (B) Discharge any firearm, pellet gun, bow and arrow, slingshot, or other weapon capable of injuring any person or wildlife.
- (C) Possess any loaded firearm in any park area. (Ord. 78-4, passed 6-7-78)

§ 92.07 OPERATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

- (A) Motor vehicles shall be operated only on roads and in parking areas constructed or designated for motor vehicle use. No motor vehicle shall be operated on any trail or in any park area not constructed or designated for motor vehicle use, or on any road or trail posted as closed to the public.
- (B) Automobiles, trailers, or other vehicles shall be parked only in designated parking areas. The parking area shall be clearly designated in each park and the Park Manager may post a map showing designated parking areas.
- (C) No person shall operate any vehicle within a park area at a speed in excess of 10 miles per hour

unless the roadway is posted otherwise.

(D) Two-wheel motorized vehicles are not allowed in county parks. (Ord. 78-4, passed 6-7-78)

§ 92.08 OVERNIGHT CAMPING.

Overnight camping is allowed only in designated camping areas after payment of the applicable camping fee.

(Ord. 78-4, passed 6-7-78)

§ 92.09 PETS IN PARK AREA.

- (A) Any dog, cat or other animal of any kind brought into or kept in a park area shall be confined in a vehicle, or on a leash or not more than six feet long, and shall be kept under control at all times.
- (B) The owner is responsible for the animal's behavior and containment at all times while in the park.
- (C) The authority of the County Park Manager includes the authority to require any person keeping the animal to undertake such measures (including the removal of the animal from the park area) deemed by the Park Manager to be necessary to prevent interference by the animal with the safety, comfort and well-being of the park area.
- (D) No animals, other than seeing-eye dogs or other handicapped assistance dogs, shall be allowed in any building.
- (E) No person shall ride, drive, lead or keep a saddle horse or any other animal in any park area, except on such roads, trails or areas designated for that purpose.
- (F) No horse or other animal shall be hitched to any tree or shrub in such a manner that may cause damage to such tree or shrub.

(Ord. 78-4, passed 6-7-78)

§ 92.10 ERECTING SIGNS AND MARKERS.

No person shall, except in designated areas, erect signs, markers, or inscriptions of any type within a park area without permission from the Manager. (Ord. 78-4, passed 6-7-78)

§ 92.11 SALE OF GOODS; ADVERTISING; DISTRIBUTION OF MATERIALS.

The following activities are prohibited in a park area unless specifically authorized by the County Parks Manager:

- (A) Operating a concession, either fixed or mobile.
- (B) Soliciting, selling, or offering for sale, peddling, hawking or vending any goods, wares, merchandise, food, liquids, or services.
- (C) Advertising any goods or services by any means whatsoever. (Ord. 78-4, passed 6-7-78)

§ 92.12 VANDALISM AND LITTER.

- (A) Flowers, shrubs, foliage, trees, plant life, or natural products of any type shall not be picked, cut, mutilated, or removed from any park area without written permission from the Park Manager.
- (B) No person shall mutilate, deface, damage, or remove any table, bench, building, sign, marker, monument, fence, barrier, fountain, faucet, traffic recorder, or other structure or facility of any kind in a park area.
- (C) No person shall dig up, deface or remove any dirt, stones, rock or other substance whatever, make any excavation, quarry any stone, or lay or set off any blast, or roll any stones or other objects, or cause or assist in doing any of these things within a park area.
- (D) No bottles, cans, ashes, waste, paper, garbage, sewage, or refuse shall be left in a park area, except in the receptacles designated for that purpose.
- (E) No person shall wash any clothing or other materials, or clean any fish in a lake, stream or river in

a park area. (Ord. 78-4, passed 6-7-78)

§ 92.13 GROUP PICNIC FEES.

- (A) At designated camping locations and in the two group picnic area, a user fee will be charged in order to offset additional park administration and maintenance costs. These fees are specified in the Umatilla County Comprehensive Fee Schedule in Chapter 36 of this code. Full payment for a reserved group picnic area must accompany the group picnic application. Campers must pay for the full term of their stay within 30 minutes after checking into the campground.
- (B) Not less than five working days (Monday through Friday) prior to the scheduled picnic, the group leader must make arrangements with the Park Manager regarding parking, supervision, cleanup, checkout time, and other arrangements.
- (C) Upon arrival, the group leader will check in with the Park Manager and the Manager will direct the group to the reserved area.
- (D) Notification of cancellation must be received by the park office issuing the reservation at least three working days (Monday through Friday) prior to the permit date to receive a refund. Three dollars shall be deducted from any refund for county administra-tive costs.
- (E) Applicants must be 18 years of age or older. The group must have adult supervision at all times. (Ord. 78-4, passed 6-7-78)

ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT

§ 92.25 PARK MANAGER AUTHORIZED TO ADOPT RULES AND REGULATIONS.

The County Park Manager is delegated the authority to adopt rules and regulations governing the following activities in county park areas:

- (A) Hang gliding activities;
- (B) The use of alcoholic beverages;
- (C) The regulation of animals in county parks. (Ord. 78-4, passed 6-7-78)

§ 92.26 PARK MANAGER TO ENFORCE RULES AND REGULATIONS; EXPULSION FROM PARK.

The County Park Manager in any park area is authorized to obtain compliance of the public with the park rules and regulations and to order any person violating these regulations to leave the park area. (Ord. 78-4, passed 6-7-78)

§ 92.27 EMERGENCY RULES.

The County Park Manager may establish special rules and regulations on an emergency basis for 60 days when it is necessary to protect park visitors, the resources, environment of the park area, or park facilities.

(Ord. 78-4, passed 6-7-78)